

Other senatorial officers.

SEC. 20. *Other Senatorial officers.* The Senate shall choose its other officers and also a Speaker (*pro tempore*) in the absence of the Lieutenant-Governor, or when he shall exercise the office of Governor.

Style of the acts.

SEC. 21. *Style of the acts.* The style of the acts shall be: "The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact."

Powers of the General Assembly.

SEC. 22. *Powers of the General Assembly.* Each House shall be judge of the qualifications and election of its own members, shall sit upon its own adjournment from day to day, prepare bills to be passed into laws; and the two Houses may also jointly adjourn to any future day, or other place.

Bills and resolutions to be read three times, etc.

SEC. 23. *Bills and resolutions to be read three times, etc.* All bills and resolutions of a legislative nature shall be read three times in each House before they pass into laws, and shall be signed by the presiding officers of both Houses.

Oath of members.

SEC. 24. *Oath of members.* Each member of the General Assembly, before taking his seat, shall take an oath of affirmation that he will support the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of North Carolina, and will faithfully discharge his duty as a member of the Senate or House of Representatives.

Terms of office.

SEC. 25. *Terms of office.* The terms of office for Senators and members of the House of Representatives shall commence at the time of their election.

Yeas and nays.

SEC. 26. *Yeas and nays.* Upon motion made and seconded in either House by one-fifth of the members present, the yeas and nays upon any question shall be taken and entered upon the journals.

Election for members of the General Assembly.

SEC. 27. *Election for members of the General Assembly.* The election for members of the General Assembly shall be held for the respective districts and counties, at the places where they are now held, or may be directed hereafter to be held, in such manner as may be prescribed by law, on the first Thursday in August, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy, and every two years thereafter. But the General Assembly may change the time of holding the elections.

Pay of members and officers of the General Assembly.

SEC. 28. *Pay of members and officers of the General Assembly.* The members of the General Assembly for the term of their office shall receive a salary for their services of six hundred dollars each. The salaries of the presiding officers of the two houses shall be seven hundred dollars each: *Provided*, that in addition to the salaries herein provided for, should an extra session of the General Assembly be called, the members